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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT for the patent application:

Application No. : 09/832,580  
Applicant(s) : Michael D. Mitchell, et al.  
Filed : April 11, 2001  
Title : PROCESSES FOR MANUFACTURING PARTICLES COATED  
WITH ACTIVATED LIGNOSULFONATE  
Examiner : M.B. Cleveland  
Conf. No. : 3614  
Customer No. : 27752

1. ☒ No additional fees (claims fees or extension fees) are known to be required.
2. ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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INDEP.	*	MINUS	***	=	x \$86 =	\$
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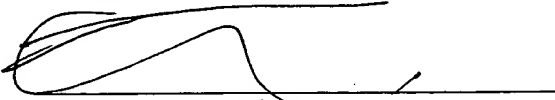
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AMENDMENT AFTER THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Final Office Action of September 5, 2003 please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**The Listing of the Claims with Amendments** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.